Clean Water Ambassador Meeting

August 17, 2023

Agenda

EGLE Updates
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EGLE School Drinking Water Program
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Ambassador Updates & Discussion

Wrap-Up & Reminders
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Updates

- Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Funds Intended Use Plans (IUP)
  - IUPs describe how EGLE will administer funds for the upcoming fiscal year (i.e., which municipalities got funding and how much)
- Check out the MiSource Water webinar series if you missed them

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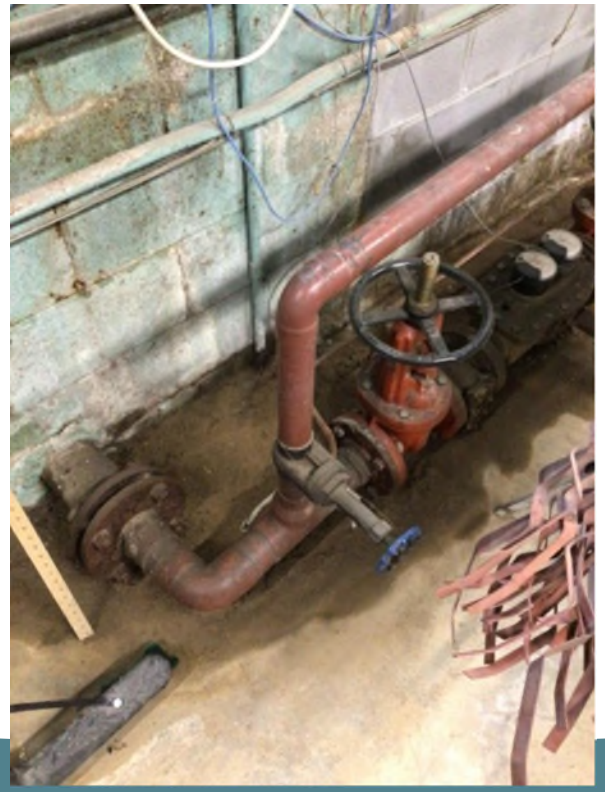
Lead in Drinking Water

- Water delivered must meet water quality standards
- Water quality within a building can change
- Risk factors
  - Leaded materials
  - Stagnant water



EGLE School Drinking Water Program

- Voluntary program
- Promote quality water
- Encourage lead risk reduction
- Utilize federal grant money

HEALTHY WATER
HEALTHY KIDS

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How Ambassadors Can Help

- Communicate
  - Contact administrators
  - Attend the Parent/Teacher Association meetings
  - Have conversations with staff and other parents you know
- Organize
  - Plan an event or a “water fair” for the facility
  - Plan a community “water awareness” event in library or community center
- Share information
  - Lead in drinking water information hand outs from Dept. of Health & Human Services & Statewide Drinking Water Council
  - EGLE’s school drinking water program

www.Michigan.gov/SchoolWater

www.Michigan.gov/MILeadSafe

www.Michigan.gov/DrinkingWater

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Open Discussion & Updates from Ambassadors

Wrap Up & Reminders

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Reminders

- Source Water Protection and Septic Smart Weeks in September
  - Look for information to share
- Next Clean Water Ambassador meetings:
  - September 18 at 9 a.m.
    - Knowing Your Septic System Webinar
  - October 26 at noon
    - Office hours
  - December 5-7
    - Great Lakes virtual PFAS conference